

6. (New) A method of customer-individualized adjustment of a car radio having a microprocessor control and corresponding internal operating software, the method comprising:

making a selection from a plurality of software modules for different functions of the car radio;

storing the selected software modules on an external memory device;

connecting the memory device to an interface in order to start operation of the car radio, the interface being adapted to change the operating software and to read the memory device; and

loading the software modules stored on the memory device into the car radio as an extension of the operating software.

7. (New) The method according to claim 6, further comprising, after making the selection, simulating a scope of functions of the car radio or a single one of the software modules.

8. (New) The method according to claim 7, further comprising providing the simulation over one of the Internet, an Extranet, an Intranet, another computer network, and a data medium.

9. (New) The method according to claim 6, wherein the external memory device includes one of a PCMCIA card, a chip card, a money card, a key card, a personal computer, and a notebook.

10. (New) The method according to claim 6, further comprising making available the selection of the software modules over the Internet.

REMARKS

This Preliminary Amendment cancels without prejudice claims 1-5 in the underlying PCT Application No. PCT/DE00/01088, and adds new claims 6-10. The new claims conform the claims to U.S. Patent and Trademark Office rules and do not add new matter to the application.

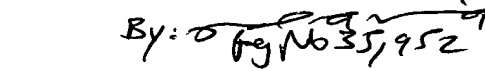
In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.121(b)(3), the Substitute Specification (including the Abstract, but without the claims) contains no new matter. The amendments reflected in the Substitute Specification (including Abstract) are to conform the Specification and Abstract to U.S. Patent and Trademark Office rules or to correct informalities. As required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.121(b)(3)(iii) and § 1.125(b)(2), a Marked Up Version Of The Substitute Specification comparing the Specification of record and the Substitute Specification also accompanies this Preliminary Amendment. Approval and entry of the Substitute Specification (including Abstract) is respectfully requested.

The underlying PCT Application No. PCT/DE00/01088 includes an International Search Report, dated September 19, 2000. The Search Report includes a list of documents that were uncovered in the underlying PCT Application. A copy of the Search Report accompanies this Preliminary Amendment.

Applicant asserts that the present invention is new, non-obvious, and useful. Prompt consideration and allowance of the claims are respectfully requested.

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